

January 9, 2019

Ms. Becky Weber Regional Director Air and Waste Management Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, KS 66219

RE: Administrative Order on Consent (Docket No. RCRA-07-2009-0015)
Financial Assurance Reduction Request
Former J.F. Queeny - Solutia Site
EPA ID No. MOD 004 954 111

Dear Ms. Weber:

This letter is sent to you for the referenced Administrative Order on Consent (Order) with SWH Investments II and Environmental Operations, Inc. (Respondents), related to the former Solutia Queeny facility in St. Louis, Missouri (Facility). This letter requests a reduction in the financial assurance required by Section X (Financial Assurance) of the Order.

Specifically, the Facility received approval by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Final Decision in the document dated April 30, 2018. Pursuant to that, a Corrective Measures Implementation (CMI) Work Plan was submitted to EPA. The Work Plan included the post-closure cost estimate, and was approved by EPA on December 12, 2018.

Paragraph 58 of the Order provides for adjustment of the financial assurance. Whereas the executed trust agreement originally established financial assurance in the amount of \$500,000, and the approved projected post-closure costs are \$150,463, Respondents are requesting a release of the difference of the market value of the account and the approved projected post-closure costs.

If there are questions or concerns, please contact Larry Rosen, who can be reached by phone at (314) 480-4694, or via email at larryr@environmentalops.com. Thank you for your effort in this matter.

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Respectfully submitted,

ENVIRONMENTAL OPERATIONS, INC.

Lawrence C. Rosen, R.G. Senior Project Manager

Enclosures:

Order cover page

Paragraph 58 of Order

Post-Closure cost estimate from CMI Work Plan

EPA approval of CMI Work Plan

Copy:

Mr. Don Linenger - Branch Chief, Waste Remediation and Permitting Branch

Mr. Bruce Morrison - Project Manager

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IN THE MATTER OF:	AGEBOY-REGIONAL NEARING CLERK							
J. F. Queeny Facility St. Louis, Missouri EPA ID#: MOD004954111	EPA Docket No: RCRA-07-2009-0015							
SWH Investments II ("Buyer"), and Environmental Operations, Inc. ("Guarantor of Interim Measures")								
RESPONDENTS)								
Proceeding under Section 7003) Resource Conservation and Recovery Act,) as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 6973)								

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Respondents are notified in writing by EPA that all such work required by the approved IMWP is complete with respect to the Facility.

- 58. Upon written notice to Respondents from EPA, the amount of "cash financial assurance" required pursuant to Paragraph 55.a shall be reduced on a quarterly basis to an amount equal to the money expended on work performed by Respondents pursuant to the approved IMWP (and any amendments thereto) during the previous calendar quarter pursuant to the approved IMWP (January - March, April - June, July - September, October - December By January 30 of each calendar, Respondents shall provide EPA a written estimate for the cost of performance of any remaining requirements of the IMWP, until EPA's approval of the Interim Measures Completion Report. In the event that EPA determines that the estimated costs of completion of the work required by the approved IMWP is greater than the remaining balance of cash financial assurance pursuant to Paragraph 55.a, within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from EPA, Respondents shall establish additional cash financial assurance equal to the difference of the remaining balance maintained pursuant to Paragraphs 55.a and the amount necessary to complete the work required by the IMWP. Conversely, in the event EPA determines that the estimated cost of completion of the work required by the approved IMWP is less than the remaining balance of financial assurance pursuant to paragraph 55.a, EPA shall reduce the amount of financial assurance to that amount. At any time, at EPA's sole discretion, EPA may also approve Respondent's request for a reduction in the amount of financial assurance required pursuant to Paragraph 55.a based on the completion of tasks identified in the IMWP (Attachment II) or work for a specific SWMUs.
- 59. The amount and form of financial assurance for the performance of final RCRA corrective action at the Facility, as required by Paragraph 55.b, shall be maintained until such time as financial assurance equal to the amount required for performance of the final RCRA corrective action selected by EPA for the Facility has been established pursuant to this Order on Consent, or until EPA determines in writing that no further RCRA corrective action at the Facility is necessary. In the event that EPA determines the estimated cost of completion of the RCRA corrective action at the Facility is greater than the amount held in trust pursuant to Paragraph 55.b, Respondents shall contribute additional cash financial assurance equal to the difference between the remaining balance maintained pursuant to Paragraph 55.b and amount determined by EPA as the cost estimate of the final corrective action remedy. At EPA's discretion, EPA may approve that Respondents may establish other forms of financial assurance for this difference, in conformance with the financial assurance mechanisms described within 40 C.F.R. §§ 265.142, 265.143, 265.144, and 265.145.
- 60. Respondents are liable for the work required by this Consent Order, and the financial assurance under the provisions of this Section; however, the financial assurances for performance of the IMWP and final corrective action as required by Paragraph 55 to 59 may be established and maintained by a third party, if approved in advance by EPA. If approved by EPA, such third party financial assurances shall satisfy Respondents' financial assurance obligations pursuant to Paragraphs 55 to 59. In the event that this occurs, EPA will notify Respondents upon receipt of a document from or on behalf of such third party that financial assurance in an amount and manner sufficient to satisfy the terms of this Section has been established.

TABLE 2
NET PRESENT WORTH EVALUATION
CORRECTIVE MEASURES IMPLEMENTATION
(GROUNDWATER MONITORING)

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1	\$5,000	ea Develop and implement institutional controls		•	5,000	3	\$ 19,200	\$	20,375	\$	16,632	\$	58,383
1	45,000	Contingency (20%)		\$	1,000	4	\$ 19,200	\$	20,783	\$	15,855	1 -	74,238
1		(2070)	Total:	\$	6,000	5	\$ 19,200	\$	21,198	\$	15,114	\$	89,35
			10001	•	0,000	6	\$ 8,400	\$	9,460	\$	6,303	\$	95,6
1						7	\$ 8,400	\$	9,649	\$	6,009	S	101,66.
	Annual Costs	Years 1-5				8	\$ 8,400	\$	9,842	\$	5,728	\$	107,392
1	\$15,000	Groundwater sampling / Consulting / Reporting (Annually)		\$	15,000	9	\$ 8,400	\$	10,039	\$	5,460	\$	112,853
1	\$1,000	Maintain institutional controls		\$	1,000	10	\$ 8,400	\$	10,240	\$	5,205	\$	118,058
		Contingency (20%)		\$	3,200	11	\$ 3,120	\$	3,879	\$	1,843	\$	119,901
			Total:	\$	19,200	12	\$ 3,120	\$	3,957	\$	1,757	\$	121,658
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						14	\$ 3,120	\$	4,117	\$	1,597	\$	124,929
	Annual Costs	Years 6-10				15	\$ 3,120	\$	4,199	\$	1,522	\$	126,451
1	\$6,000	Groundwater sampling / Consulting / Reporting (2 yr interval)		\$	6,000	16	\$ 3,120	\$	4,283	\$	1,451	\$	127,902
1	\$1,000	Maintain institutional controls		\$	1,000	17	\$ 3,120	\$	4,369	\$	1,383	\$	129,285
		Contingency (20%)		\$	1,400	18	\$ 3,120	\$	4,456	\$	1,318	\$	130,603
			Total:	\$	8,400	19	\$ 3,120	\$	4,545	\$	1,257	\$	131,860
						20	\$ 3,120	\$	4,636	\$	1,198	\$	133,058
	Annual Costs	Years 11-29				21	\$ 3,120	\$	4,729	\$	1,142	\$	134,200
1	\$1,600	Groundwater sampling / Consulting / Reporting (5 yr interval)		\$	1,600	22	\$ 3,120	\$	4,823	\$	1,089	\$	135,289
1	\$1,000	Maintain institutional controls		\$	1,000	23	\$ 3,120	\$	4,920	\$	1,038	\$	136,327
1		Contingency (20%)		\$	520	24	\$ 3,120	\$	5,018	\$	989	\$	137,316
			Total:	\$	3,120	25	\$ 3,120	\$	5,119	\$	943	\$	138,259
ı						26	\$ 3,120	\$	5,221	\$	899	\$	139,15
ı	Annual Costs	Year 30				27	\$ 3,120	\$	5,325	\$	857	\$	140,01
1	\$30,000	Groundwater sampling / Consulting / Reporting/Well Closeout		\$	30,000	28	\$ 3,120	\$	5,432	\$	817	\$	140,832
1	\$1,000	Maintain institutional controls		\$	1,000	29	\$ 3,120	\$	5,541	\$	779	\$	141,611
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Assumes number of wells are constant; no laboratory MNA parameters after year 10; wells closed in year 30

Rosen, Larry

From:

Morrison, Bruce < Morrison.Bruce@epa.gov>

Sent:

Wednesday, December 12, 2018 11:08 AM

To:

Rosen, Larry

Cc:

Christine Kump-Mitchell

Subject:

RE: Solutia

Larry,

Chris and I are approving the revised CMI Work Plan with this email. How about submitting a progress report once per every 6 months?

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From: Rosen, Larry < larryr@environmentalops.com >

Sent: Monday, December 10, 2018 2:31 PM
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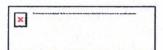
Bruce

Attached are pdf copies of the groundwater lab reports from the event conducted in October 2018. A report will be prepared. The sampling approach was in accordance with the revised CMI Plan sent you at the beginning of October. I have some questions below to address project matters.

- 1. What style of communication should be used going forward? The prior monthly letter doesn't seem to make sense given the low activity, as primarily annual monitoring is the only regular event. I think email and perhaps letters on an as-needed basis may be appropriate at this point.
- 2. Given the minor revisions of the CMI Plan you requested, have you completed your review, and if so, when can we anticipate your approval letter?
- 3. I have contacted Ahrens to move forward at their building, but have not yet gotten a response. I will continue to press them.

I look forward to hearing from you. Thanks.

Larry



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